



## **Minutes of the 52<sup>nd</sup> AGM of The Campden Society**

7.30pm Thursday 29 July 2021 Chipping Campden School

Attendees: 69 members were present. (Attendee List and Apologies are enclosed.)

1. Elizabeth Devas opened the meeting and outlined a re-ordering of the Agenda.
2. By a show of hands, Members present ratified and confirmed the 2020 Committee Elections, agreed that the holding of the 51<sup>st</sup> AGM by Zoom on 4 November 2020 satisfied the requirements of the Constitution with respect to the holding of AGMs and approved the minutes of such meeting.
3. Annual Report: Elizabeth Devas and Julianne Davis gave the Annual Report of the Committee's Activities (enclosed) including special thanks to David Kingsmill who, after 10 years' service to the Society, was stepping down from the Committee.
4. Annual Accounts: David Kingsmill presented the Financial Report for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 which had already been circulated and invited comments; there were none. Mark Kilbride, the independent examiner, was re-appointed by a show of hands.
5. Elections: Three vacancies had arisen on the Committee and three nominations received. Geoffrey White was elected as Committee Member and Treasurer; Vanessa Rigg was elected as Committee Member and Secretary; and Simon Chapman was elected as a Committee Member, in each case by a show of hands.
6. Philip Smith presented the Campden Conservation Trust Fund's statement. (Enclosed.)
7. Elizabeth Devas introduced the Constitutional Amendments outlined in the Memorandum already circulated and invited comments from Members present.
  - 7.1. The amendments covered Virtual Meetings; the Climate Emergency; Membership Policy towards Campden Residency and Approval; Committee Elections; and Designated Property
  - 7.2. Alan Barclay presented a proposal for changes to the Clause 4 alteration ie the Membership amendments as being unnecessary, unworkable and against the spirit of the Society.
  - 7.3. The Committee supported the amendments to Clause 4 as being Campden focussed, consistent with other local amenity societies' constitutions, and robust for the challenges ahead.
  - 7.4. Mary Fielding, Rachel Cunynghame, Geoff Carr, David Atkinson, Julie Heath, Ken Wilkins, Keyna Doran, Sue Samuelson, Teresa Newman, Geoffrey White, Arthur Cunynghame, Ann Murphy and Elizabeth Devas all contributed to the debate. Some spoke for the amendments; others supported Alan Barclay's submission.

- 7.5. A vote was called and the Members present approved the amendments to the Constitution which are incorporated in the 22 July draft form of amended and restated Constitution which had been sent to Members in advance of the meeting - by the required two thirds majority (Members For: 48; Members Against: 12).
8. AOB: David Atkinson gave a short speech in support of the Committee and the Society.

No further matters were raised and the meeting was closed at 8.30pm.

#### Enclosures

1. Attendees/Apologies
2. Annual Report of Committee's Activities
3. CCTF Statement